

WESTERN CANADA

Cheap Railroad Rates for Settlers.

An intending settler from a country other than Canada wishing to take up farm land in Western Canada and wishing to secure the lowest transportation rates, should obtain a certificate from a Canadian Government Agent, purchase a ticket to the nearest point on the Canadian Pacific Railway, the Canadian Northern Railway, or the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway, and on arrival there present his certificate, in exchange for which he will receive for himself and any member of his family accompanying him, as enumerated on certificate, a ticket to his destination in Western Canada, at a very low rate, which rate may be learned from the Agent before starting.

Should the settler, after acquiring land, desire to return to his family, he will be accorded similar rate returning.

Information as to special reduced rates on settlers' effects in carloads or less than carloads will be given on application to the Canadian Government Agent, or any agent of the Canadian Pacific Railway, the Canadian Northern Railway, or the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway.

HOMESTEAD REGULATIONS.

Any person who is the sole head of a family, or any male over 18 years old, may homestead a quarter-section of available Dominion lands in Manitoba, Saskatchewan or Alberta. The applicant must appear in person at the Dominion Land Agency or Sub-Agency for the district. Entry by proxy may be made at any agency, (not Sub-Agency) on certain conditions, by father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister of intending homesteader.

Duties.—Six months' residence upon and cultivation of the land in each of three years, and erection of a habitable house. A homesteader who does not hold a pre-emption may live within nine miles of his homestead on a farm of at least 80 acres solely owned and occupied by him or by his father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister.

In certain districts a homesteader in good standing may pre-empt a quarter-section alongside his homestead. Price \$3 per acre. Duties—Must reside six months in each of six years from date of homestead entry (including the time required to earn homestead patent) and cultivate fifty acres extra.

A homesteader who has exhausted his homestead right and cannot obtain a pre-emption may take a purchased homestead in certain districts. Price \$3 per acre. Duties—Must reside six months in each of three years, cultivate fifty acres and erect a house worth \$300.

Application for patent should be made at the end of three years, before the local Agent or Sub-Agent.

N.B.—In addition to Free Grant Lands, to which the regulations above briefly stated refer, thousands of acres of most desirable lands are available for lease or purchase from railroads and other corporations and private firms in Western Canada.

LIVE STOCK AND SETTLERS' EFFECTS—DUTY FREE.

A settler may bring into Canada, free of duty, live stock for the farm on the following basis, if he has actually owned such live stock abroad for at least six

months before his removal to Canada, and has brought them into Canada within one year after his first arrival, viz.:—

If horses only are brought in, 16 allowed.				
If cattle	"	"	16	"
If sheep	"	"	160	"
If swine	"	"	160	"

If horses, cattle, sheep and swine are brought in together, or part of each, the same proportions as above are to be observed.

Duty is to be paid on the live stock **in excess** of the number above provided for.

For Customs entry purposes a mare with a colt under six months old is to be reckoned as one animal; a cow with a calf under six months old is also to be reckoned as one animal.

Cattle and other live stock imported into Canada are subject to Quarantine Regulations.

Item 705 of the Customs Tariff (1907), for free entry of settlers' effects, reads as follows:—

705. Settlers' effects, viz.:—Wearing apparel, books, usual and reasonable household furniture and other household effects; instruments and tools of trade, occupation or employment, guns, musical instruments, domestic sewing machines, typewriters, bicycles, carts, wagons and other highway vehicles, agricultural implements and live stock for the farm, not to include live stock or articles for sale, or for use as a contractor's outfit, nor vehicles or implements moved by mechanical power, nor machinery for use in any manufacturing establishment; all the foregoing if actually owned abroad by the settler for at least six months before his removal to Canada, and subject to regulations prescribed by the Minister of Customs: Provided that any dutiable article entered as settlers' effects may not be so entered unless brought by the settler on his first arrival, and shall not be sold or otherwise disposed of without payment of duty until after twelve months' actual use in Canada.

The settler will be required to take the following oath:—

I,, do hereby solemnly make oath and say that all the Goods and Articles hereinbefore mentioned are, to the best of my knowledge and belief, entitled to Free Entry as Settlers' Effects, under the tariff of duties of Customs now in force, and that all of them have been actually owned by myself for at least six months before my removal to Canada; and that none of the goods or articles shown in this entry have been imported as merchandise or for use in any manufacturing establishment or as a contractor's outfit or for sale, and that I intend becoming a permanent settler within the Dominion of Canada, and that the 'Live Stock' enumerated and described in the entry hereunto attached is intended for my own use on the farm which I am about to occupy (or cultivate), and not for sale or speculative purposes, nor for the use of any other person or persons.

Sworn to before me.....this.....day of

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Collector.....

QUARANTINE REGULATIONS.

The following Customs ports are hereby declared to be Animals Quarantine Stations, and all animals imported into Canada subject to quarantine must be entered through said stations, viz.:—Halifax and Yarmouth, N.S.; St. John and McAdam Jct., N.B.; Charlottetown, P.E.I.; Sherbrooke and St. Johns, Que.; Bridgeburg, Windsor, Sarnia, Sault Ste. Marie and Fort Frances, Ont.;

Emerson, Gretna and Bannerman, Man.; North Portal, Wood Mountain, Big Muddy and Willow Creek, Sask.; Pendant d'Oreille, Coutts and Twin Lakes, Alta.; Gateway, Kingsgate, Rossland, Nelson, Grand Forks, Midway, Myn-caster, Keremeos, Osoyoos, Huntingdon, New Westminster, White Rock, Vancouver and Victoria, B.C.; Whitehorse, Y.T. Quebec is also declared to be an Animals Quarantine Station in so far as importations into Canada by sea are concerned.

Animals subject to inspection only, but which are not subject to quarantine, may enter through the aforesaid and at the following ports:—Pictou, North Sydney, N.S.; St. Stephen, Woodstock, Edmundston, Grand Falls, St. Leonards, Debec Junction, Florenceville and Aroostook Junction, N.B.; Comin's Mills, Lake Megantic, Beauceville, Coaticook, Beebe Junction, Highwater, Abercorn, St. Armand, Lacolle Junction, Noyan Junction, Athelstan, Dundee and St. Agnes de Dundee, Que.; Cornwall, Prescott, Morrisburg, Brockville, Kingston, Cobourg, Toronto, Niagara Falls, Port Arthur and Rainy River, Ont.; Snowflake, Man.; Marienthal, Sask.; Rykerts, Bridesville and Nanaimo, B.C.

All animals imported into the Dominion of Canada from the United States, Newfoundland and Mexico, must be accompanied by a statutory declaration or affidavit made by the owner or importer, stating clearly the purpose for which said animals are imported, viz.:—whether for breeding purposes, for milk production, for work, for grazing, feeding or slaughter, or whether they form part of settlers' effects, or whether they are entered for temporary stay, as provided by these Regulations.

Said declarations or affidavit must be presented to the Collector of Customs at the port of entry, who will decide whether the animals are entitled to entry under these Regulations, and who will notify the Veterinary Inspector of the Department of Agriculture in all cases where the Regulations require an inspection to be made.

HORSES, MULES AND ASSES FROM THE UNITED STATES.

The importation of branded or range horses, mules and asses, other than those which are gentle and broken to harness or saddle, is prohibited.

Horses, mules and asses, shall be inspected, and must be accompanied by:—

- (a) A satisfactory certificate of mallein test dated not more than thirty days prior to the date of entry, and signed by an inspector of the United States Bureau of Animal Industry; or,
- (b) A similar certificate from a reputable veterinarian, provided such certificate is endorsed by an inspector of the said Bureau of Animal Industry; or,
- (c) A similar certificate from an inspector of the Canadian Department of Agriculture.

If so ordered by the Minister, horses, mules or asses may be detained, isolated, dipped, or otherwise treated, or, in default of such order, where the inspector has reason to believe or suspect that the animals are affected with, or have been exposed to contagious or infectious disease.

When not so accompanied, such horses, mules or asses must be submitted to the mallein test either at the quarantine station where entry is made, or, under such restrictions as the Veterinary Director General may prescribe at point of destination.

When tested at the port of entry, if any reactors are found they shall be slaughtered without compensation, or definitely marked and returned to the United States, and must not again be presented for entry. All horses, mules or asses in the same consignment shall be returned to the United States, but the non-reactors may be again presented for entry and further test after the lapse of a period not less than fifteen days from the date of the first test, provided that satisfactory evidence is produced to the effect that they have not, during the

said period, been in contact with affected animals. When tested at destination points all animals reacting to the test will be slaughtered without compensation, while those comprising the rest of the shipment will be detained in quarantine until it is shown to the satisfaction of the Veterinary Director General that they are free from disease.

No compensation will, under any circumstances, be paid for horses reacting to mallein within six months after date of their importation to Canada.

CATTLE FROM THE UNITED STATES.

All cattle shall be inspected, and if so ordered by the Minister, may be detained, isolated, submitted to the tuberculin test, dipped or otherwise treated, or in default of such order, where the inspector has reason to believe or suspect that animals are affected with or have been exposed to contagious or infectious disease.

Cattle for breeding purposes and milk production, six months old or over, if unaccompanied by a satisfactory tuberculin test chart dated not more than thirty days prior to the date of entry and signed by a veterinarian of the United States Bureau of Animal Industry, must be detained in quarantine for one week or such further period as may be deemed necessary, and subjected to the tuberculin test; cattle reacting thereto must be returned to the United States or slaughtered without compensation.

Importers may be required to furnish a statutory declaration that the chart produced applies to the cattle it purports to describe and none other.

OTHER RUMINANTS FROM THE UNITED STATES.

All sheep and goats shall be inspected, and all sheep imported to Canada from the United States for purposes other than immediate slaughter shall be admitted only at quarantine and not at inspection stations. Such sheep, unless accompanied by a satisfactory certificate signed by an inspector of the United States Bureau of Animal Industry, stating that they have been twice dipped in one of the preparations approved by the said Bureau, shall be subjected to a quarantine of thirty days.

SWINE.

All swine must be accompanied by a certificate signed by a veterinarian of the United States Bureau of Animal Industry, stating that neither swine plague nor hog cholera has existed within a radius of five miles of the premises in which they have been kept for a period of six months immediately preceding the date of shipment, but such swine shall nevertheless be inspected, and shall be subject to a quarantine of thirty days before allowed to come in contact with Canadian animals.

GENERAL INFORMATION.

Newly arrived immigrants will receive at the Immigration Office in Winnipeg, or at any other Dominion Lands Office in Western Canada, information as to the lands that are open for entry, and from the officers in charge, free of expense, advice and assistance in securing lands to suit them. Full information respecting the lands, timber, coal and mineral laws, as well as respecting Dominion Lands in the Railway Belt in British Columbia, may be obtained upon application to the Secretary of the Department of the Interior, Ottawa, the Commissioner of Immigration, Winnipeg, Manitoba; or to any of the Dominion Lands Agents in Western Canada.

All letters of inquiry addressed to THE SUPERINTENDENT OF IMMIGRATION, OTTAWA, CANADA, receive prompt attention.

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